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# A Message from Marina June 2018

### Dear Neighbors,

Summer is here! I can't wait to see you at Chill on the Hill or the South Shore Farmers Market!

At the county we have been busy working on issues that improve our quality of life. I have been focused on improving access to affordable, quality housing for all. I worked to keep the Winter Farmers Market at the Domes as well. We also passed legislation that will place a referendum on this November's ballot regarding the legalization of marijuana. Read more about the specific language in this newsletter. Check out the video on page two of me fighting for paid parental leave and talking about how in order for working families to succeed we need a system that supports working women!

Lastly, my favorite part of representing you is attending events in our neighborhood. It was a great honor to kick off Chill on the Hill and honor Three Brothers restaurant. Thank you for continuing to allow me to represent you.

I cannot wait to see you in our neighborhood!



#### **SAVE THE DATE**

June 16: South Shore Farmer's Market Opening, 8-noon

June 17: Milwaukee County Zoo: Free admission for all dads

June 19: Chill on the Hill: Mortgage Freeman and Telethon

June 20: Bay View Beats @ South Shore Terrace, 5-8 pm: Ethan Keller

June 26: Chill on the Hill: American Legion Band

June 27: Bay View Beats @ South Shore Terrace, 5-8 pm: MC Smith/John Minard

July 3: Chill on the Hill: Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra



## Milwaukee County News Updates

# Supervisor Dimitrijevic Pushes for a Paid Parental Leave Policy for Milwaukee County

Progressive Plan Aimed at Achieving Equity and Improving Employee Recruitment

A County Board committee has unanimously approved a proposal from Chairman Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., and Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic to develop policy options for modernizing the County's parental and medical leave rules, including a modern, gender-blind parental leave benefit that supports parents and families.

"We want Milwaukee County to be an employer where workers feel welcome to build their families and careers. The absence of a paid family leave policy often forces women - who already face gender pay equity challenges - to use sick time or



Supervisors Schmitt, Cullen, and Dimitrijevic discuss paid parental leave.

vacation time to have a baby, and to care for themselves and their new baby after birth. Milwaukee County can do better to support our employees by offering a strong paid parental leave benefit that is gender-blind," said Dimitrijevic.

In March, Chairman Lipscomb called for the Director of Human Resources to <u>evaluate</u> Milwaukee County's parental and medical leave policies, and provide a written report to the County Board with findings and recommendations.

"The United States is far behind the world in providing paid parental leave to both mothers and fathers, but Milwaukee County has an opportunity to set an example and lead the way on this issue. We look forward to the Department of Human Resources developing policy recommendations that ensure all employees are treated fairly and enable Milwaukee County to attract and retain talented young workers who are growing their families," said Lipscomb.

Staff from Human Resources delivered a <u>presentation</u> of the requested <u>report</u> at the June 7 meeting of the Committee on Personnel.



## Milwaukee County News Updates

#### **Supervisor Dimitrijevic Leads Fight against Housing Discrimination**

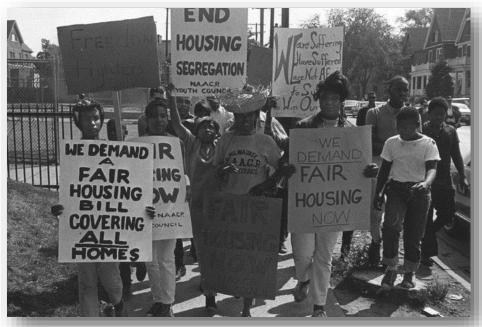
The Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors took action to implement Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic's eviction prevention plan May 24, by authorizing (16 - 0) the Housing Division to set aside \$200,000 to launch the project.

"In Milwaukee County we are moving beyond talk and into real action to confront the eviction crisis head on. We are dedicating new resources to prevent evictions, keep our residents in safe housing when threatened with eviction, and double the capacity for legal defense when it is needed. Our bold, comprehensive approach will help stop the traumatic cycle that starts with an eviction," said Dimitrijevic.

Dimitrijevic's Housing Opportunities and Minimizing Evictions for Stabilization (<u>HOMES</u>) legislation employs a three part strategy of prevention, mitigation, and legal representation: a full-time staff person dedicated to working with landlords and tenants to prevent eviction, a Housing Stabilization Fund to help tenants bridge the financial gap that often leads to eviction proceedings, and sufficient resources to double the capacity of the <u>Eviction Defense Project</u>, a legal services clinic operated by Legal Action, Inc. at the Milwaukee County Courthouse.

Long term funding for the HOMES program will be generated by the sale of county-owned foreclosed properties through the Opportunity Knocks program. The Housing Division's Opportunity Knocks program provides skills development for inmates at the House of Corrections, who will rehab foreclosed homes prior to their sale.

About 13,000 evictions are filed in Milwaukee County each year. Fewer than 1% of tenants facing eviction in the county are represented by counsel, compared to 50% of landlords.



Milwaukee's NAACP Youth Council marches for fair housing.



## Milwaukee County News Updates

#### **County Board Overwhelmingly Approves Marijuana Referendum for November 6 Ballot**

The County Board approved a resolution (15-1) to place an advisory referendum on the November ballot asking voters to take a position on the personal use, commercial regulation, and taxation of marijuana.

"I want to congratulate all the folks who have worked so hard to build a broad consensus in favor of changing our marijuana laws, and made this referendum possible. From the medical marijuana advocates to small business owners, to those fighting on behalf of people languishing in prison for possession, I support all their causes. It's time for the politicians in Madison to do their job and follow the will of the



Supervisor Supreme Moore Omokunde and constituents. Photo by Maayan Silver.

people, for the health and well-being of our citizens and our economy." said Supervisor John F. Weishan, Jr., the sponsor of the resolution.

The referendum question will ask voters "Do you favor allowing adults 21 years of age and older to engage in the personal use of marijuana, while also regulating commercial marijuana-related activities, and imposing a tax on the sale of marijuana?"

The Milwaukee County Clerk will add the referendum question to all Milwaukee County ballots for the November 6, 2018 election. Several candidates for governor have expressed support for legalizing marijuana, and at least one has said he will pardon those individuals who are currently incarcerated for non-violent marijuana convictions.

Second offense marijuana possession is still a felony in Wisconsin, and such charges are disproportionately issued against African-American males in Milwaukee County.

The Congressional Research Service suggests that replacing marijuana prohibition with a system of taxation and regulation could yield \$6.8 billion in federal excise taxes.



## **Honoring Three Brothers**

County Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic awarded a citation in honor of Three Brothers Restaurant's designation as a historic landmark by the Bay View Historical Society. Three Brothers is celebrating 60 years as a Serbian restaurant owned by the Radicevic family.

"It was an honor to present a county citation to Bay View's Three Brothers Serbian restaurant. My father is an immigrant from Serbia so this recognition was extra special to me. Three Brothers is an amazing asset to Bay View and



Supervisor Dimitrijevic awards a citation to the Radicevic family.

thank you to the Bay View Historical Society for honoring this historic landmark and hardworking family," said Supervisor Dimitrijevic.

Three Brothers is the Bay View Historical Society's 25th landmark and its plaque was the first to contain the new logo designed by Society President Kevin Petajan. Three Brothers is already a City, State and National landmark.

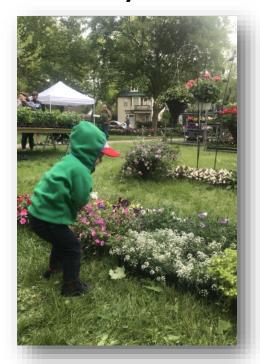
The building that houses Three Brothers was constructed in 1897 for \$5000 as an outlet for the Schlitz Brewery to sell its products. Other breweries also built saloons to sell their brands. These establishments were known as tied houses because they were tied to a single brewery. Tied houses were identified by their brewery's logo. Three Brothers still has, perched atop its distinct turret, the old pre-1915 Schlitz belted globe.



Supervisor Dimitrijevic awards a citation to Three Brothers in Bay View.



# Marina in the Community



Supervisor Dimitrijevic's family enjoyed the Bay View Plant Sale June 2.







**6TH YEAR ANNUAL CELEBRATIONS** 





11:00 AM - 9:00 PM

**AUTHENTIC INDIAN FOOD • BOLLYWOOD MUSIC • CULTURAL SHOWS** COLORFUL COSTUMES • DANCE • DRAMA AND MUCH MORE!











2018	10:00 AM (unless noted)
E 2000	Geoff Marsh 9:30-11:15am.
June 16	
June 23	Paul Cebar Bonnie Raitt and Nick Lowe are fans-'nuff said  South Shore FARMERS'
June 30	Tomas Antonic Quartet Unique modern jazz - blending pop & world influences
July 7	Nickel & Rose Neo-folk duo blending soul, blues, jazz, country & african styles
July 14	Big Style Brass Band New Orleans horns will jump-start the day!
July 21	Ruth b8r Ginsburg 7 piece neo-soul folk group - lifting up women's voices
July 28	A Western Edge Doing it classic country-western style
Aug. 4	Tamarind Tribal Belly Dance 9:00am. National Day C Frogwater 10:00am. Belly dance & high-energy celtic/americana
Aug. 11	SistaStrings Unique soulful genre-bending through cello, violin & voice
Aug. 18	Holly Haebig & Jeff Bray Music for all ages to warm the heart and soul
Aug. 25	Fox & Branch Family & kid's folk tunes
Sept. 1	Sweet Sheiks Jazz & Pop from the teens, 20's, & 30's
Sept. 8	Milwaukee Hot Club High-energy gypsy swing
Sept. 15	Dan Lloyd Trio Blending jazz standards, funk and blues
Sept. 22	Sara & Kenny Italy meets Wisconsin-Life partners, songwriters
Sept. 29	Derek Sallmann Young award-winning singer-songwriter
Oct. 6	John Stano







**HUMBOLDT PARK** ➤ OPENING ACT | 6:00 PM & HEADLINER | 6:30 PM

















HUMBOLDT HUSTLE 5K RUN NIGHT
HOT & DIRTY BRASS BAND
THEY GUANUS
with Milwaukee Rep Highlights from
"In the Heights"



KIDS AND FAMILY NIGHT THE TROJAN HORSES & NEGATIVE/POSITIVE with Half Glass Full and Daley Debutantes Baton & Drum Corp







**FOOD DRIVE** Collection of non-perishable food items to benefit local pantries each week!











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## Milwaukee County Free Days

## **Enjoy FREE admission to Milwaukee County attractions!**



#### Free the first Thursday of every month

Free for *all* visitors on the first Thursday of every month! Kids 12 and under free every day. Visit the <u>museum web site</u> for additional information.



#### Thank You Thursday from 9:00 a.m - 8:00 p.m.

Free general admission to MPM for *all* visitors on the first Thursday of every month.

Visit the museum web site for additional information.



## Free on Mondays from 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Free admission for Milwaukee County residents with proof of residence. (Excludes major holidays).

Visit the **Domes web site** for additional information.



### 2018 Free Days

Free admission for *all* visitors October 6, November 3, December 1

**Special Holidays Free Days** 

Free admission for Milwaukee County residents (requires proof of residence): Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Visit the <u>zoo web site</u> for additional information.



## Free First Tuesdays of Every Month May-October 2018

Free admission for Milwaukee County residents with proof of residence. Visit the Friends of Boerner Botanical Gardens Website for additional information.

